

**INFORMATIONAL REPORT  
OF THE  
INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ISSUES**



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## **I. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DIRECTIVE**

The Legislative Council adopted Resolution 06-01 directing the Committee to consider the following:

A. Alcoholic beverage display requirements, sales clerk licensure and training, and other equity issues involving package liquor, big box, drug and grocery stores.

B. Conduct a study of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission's (ATC) actions regarding local alcoholic beverage boards throughout Indiana.

## **II. SUMMARY OF WORK PROGRAM**

The Committee met one time during the 2006 interim session on September 19, 2006, and discussed the following issues:

1. Creating a statutory definition of "grocery store" to limit the retail businesses that are eligible for grocery store (beer dealer, wine dealer) permits.
2. Requiring grocery and drug stores to display alcoholic beverages in an area separate from other items offered for sale.
3. Requiring grocery and drug store clerks to have server training.
4. Reducing underage drinking by creating increased penalties/civil liability for providing alcohol to minors.
5. Improving retail businesses' compliance with the alcohol and tobacco laws.
6. Issues affecting the conduct of local alcoholic beverage boards, including excise police serving on local alcoholic beverage boards and conducting appeals of local board decisions within the county where the board is located.

The Committee did not adopt any findings or recommendations. Meeting minutes for the Committee can be accessed from the General Assembly Homepage at <http://www.in.gov/legislative/>.